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Dear Sir or Madam:

On Friday June 8, 2007 your organization sent out a formal request for public opinion on the proposed merger of Sirius and XM satellite radio corporations. I am a consumer, Sirius, and stock owner, XM and Sirius, so there is interest from both aspects of the proposed merger.

The key point that surrounds the proposal is whether the merger will remove competition that will in turn cause harm to the consumer in regards to pricing. There has been much debate surrounding that point since the announcement as well as lobbying in Washington.

The debates on competition in my opinion have clearly been won by those in support of the merger. Clearly one can not argue the Ipod, HD Radio and traditional radio all compete head to head with satellite radio. No one can argue whether the latter two compete. On face value one could argue against the Ipod. One could categorize it similar to the defunct Walkman, but if you look at the automotive industry more and more vehicles come standard with an outlet to plug your Ipod directly into the stereo system. That sheer fact puts it in direct competition with satellite radio.

Lobbying has overwhelmingly been won by those opposed to the merger. This fact in itself supports the argument to approve the merger. I give you a quote from John Dunbar, AP columnist, on the AP wire June 11, 2007; "Opposition from the National Association of Broadcasters has been relentless." "Relentless", why would the NAB relentlessly oppose the merger if they do not see satellite radio as competition to their business? Based on the expense to support the opposition I argue there is no basis in being this aggressive unless they view the combined company a strong competitor to their business model.

Case closed. Approve the merger.

Sincerely,

Jay C. Young
Supporting consumer